AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS NATIONAL CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE **JUNE 1985**

F. BACKGROUND MATERIAL

F4: Morogoro Agenda and Resolutions

AGENDA AND RESOLUTIONS OF THE 1969 AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS CONSULTATIVE CONFERENCE 1. Our objective is the overthrow of the white racialist, fascist regime together with its imperialist forces in South Africa, and to establish a democratic society on the basis of the Freedom Charter.

II. Our major weapon is the intensification of the armed struggle. Other forms of struggle are also important.

III. To what extent have we succeeded and failed in this regard, and what must be done to ensure further success?

IV. The ANC - its methods of work and structure? Its leadership and calibre? Have the functions of the organs of the ANC like the Planning Council been effective?

V. Is structure, and method of work of ANC effective and efficient to mobilise within South Africa the maximum potential?

1. Masses of the African people

2. Youth and Students

3. Women

4. Other oppressed national groups

5. Other revolutionary forces. VI. What are the best forms of consolidating all national groups and individual revolutionaries so that they contribute their maximum talent and ability to the movement? VII. Is the strategy and tactics of the Alliance in South Africa correct?

(a) ANC/ZAPU Alliance (b) Extension of Alliance over the whole of Southern Africa VIII. Success or failure in mobilising world moral and material support? What more can be done? Our foreign policy and changes? IX. Resolutions

RESOLUTIONS

1. The Consultative Conference of the ANC approves the new administrative structure of the organisation and: (a) Affirms the necessity to integrate all oppressed national groups and revolutionary forces and individuals under the banner of the ANC; (b) Instructs the NEC to take urgent steps to work out the means by which this can be done so as to mobilise all revolutionaries in functioning units of the ANC.

2. Conference urges the NEC to give priority to:

(a) The provision of intensive political education for all sectors of the movement:

(b) The adoption of a code and oath which all revolutionaries in the ANC and Umkhonto we Sizwe should be governed and bound by;

(c) The appointment of an Ombudsman or Commission to receive, investigate and act upon any complaints and grievances in all sectors of the movement;

(d) The provision of military training for all sectors of the movement, both in and outside Umkhonto we Sizwe.

- 3. Conference expresses its unanimous approval of the Political Report of the NEC, the strategy and tactics and the programme of the revolution - the Freedom Charter.
- 4. Conference considers that insufficient attention has been paid to the proper organisation of the Youth and Students, and Women's Sections of the ANC. That proper provision must be made in the ANC for personnel and resources to be allocated to this vital task. States and mercenary troops

- 5. That the working class and its organisations constitute a fundamental foundation for the success of the revolution. That the Sactu and Trade Union organisation should be strengthened at home and abroad. The NEC is instructed to give all necessary help to Sactu and to release personnel required for this purpose.
- 6. That the ZAPU/ANC Alliance must be strengthened and steps taken to form alliances with other liberation movements in Southern Africa; namely FRELIMO, MPLA, SWAPO and PAIGC of Guinea-Bissau. 14: Merogoro Agenda and Resolutions

7. Conference vehemently condemns the continued imprisonment, detention and persecution of thousands of our gallant Freedom Fighters by the Vorster fascist regime.

Conference salutes our gallant leaders languishing in Robben Island and other prisons, such as Walter Sisulu, Nelson Mandela, Ahmed Kathrada, Elias Motsoaledi, Denis Goldberg, Andrew Mlangeni, Raymond Mhlaba, Wilton Mkwayi, Abraham Fischer as well as numerous ANC and Umkhonto we Sizwe men and women.

Conference pledges never to rest until these comrades are released.

- 8. Conference instructs the NEC to convey its gratitude to TANU, the government of Tanzania, and the people of Morogoro for the warm hospitality extended to the Conference.
- 9. Conference expresses its thanks to the OAU Co-ordinating Committee for the Liberation of Africa for the facilities and support given to the ANC (SA) in the organisation of the Consultative Conference.
- 10. This Consultative Conference of the African National Congress extends revolutionary greetings to brother fighters for freedom in Africa, Vietnam, the Middle East and elsewhere who, arms in hand, are fighing our common enemy - imperialism in all its forms.

We greet our brothers of Southern Africa and the Portuguese colonies, who have scored and are scoring brilliant victories over the enemy. We shall win! We South African revolutionaries pay unstinted tribute to the National Front of South Vietnam, who have added glorious pages to the history of liberation. We fully support their just demands for the unconditional withdrawal of the United States and mercenary troops from Vietnam and the reunification of their motherland.

We greet the peoples of the Arab countries resisting imperialist-backed Zionist aggression, and support the right of the dispossessed Arabs of Palestine to fight for their return to their homeland.

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